

CONTRACTS LET

FOR SPRINKLING OVER ONE HUNDRED MILES OF STREETS TO-DAY.

The High Bids Presented by the High Bids for the Street Sprinkling Contract, which was opened at the Board of Public Improvements to-day, were as follows:

The majority of the street-sprinkling contractors in attendance on the meeting of the Board of Public Improvements retired in deep disgust. The Board met at noon and received bids for one hundred miles of street-sprinkling. The bids for street-sprinkling were referred, arrived late. When the street-sprinkling subject was reached he submitted his written report awarding the contract for sprinkling three districts and recommending the rejection of the bids for each of the other districts. The report was adopted without a moment's loss of time to the great disgust of the contractors who had put in high bids for the work. When the vote announcing the Board's acceptance of the Commissioner's recommendation was taken none of the members dissented. "It's a good idea," said Col. Fiske, in his remarks, "but we must not forget the contractors, and said: 'If we advertise again we'll get a d—d right lower figures. Some of these people are getting 100 per cent profit now, and they want to keep that figure up.'"

On motion of Street-Commissioner Turner the Secretary was ordered to advertise for new bids. Some of the bids put in were as high as \$200 per mile per month, which is \$100 more than the high bid which will allow them a handsome profit.

In the instances where the contracts were awarded the work will be done by the following firms:

Paul Baul was awarded the contract for four miles of street-sprinkling in the Third District, No. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100.

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LABOR NEWS.

A Big Row in District 40—The Iron and Steel Men.

By Telegram to the Post-Dispatch.
New York, June 22.—George W. Dunne, the chairman of the Board of Arbitration and Strikes of District Assembly 40, Knights of Labor, is the second or third person who has held that office since the beginning of the year. At a meeting of the district assembly a couple of weeks ago a motion was made that Dunne be getting \$100 a week. Dunne promptly and vehemently called this motion a "deliberate lie," and that ended the matter then. It is well known among members of the district, while holding office under the present administration of 40, has not been wholly in accord with it. On Sunday without any justification, Mazzoni, Workman Quinn presented formal charges against Dunne and had him suspended pending trial. In turn Dunne presented charges against Quinn. It is not positively known what the charges and specifications are, but it is believed that each accused attacks the integrity of his adversary. The charges will be tried by the district assembly court.

Steel Workers' Scale.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., June 22.—At this morning's session of the Amalgamated Association a resolution was adopted authorizing the President to appoint a committee to arrange a scale of wages for steel workers, which will be incorporated in the regular scale. At present the scale is \$1.00 per day for a 10-hour day, and the wages of steel workers are fixed at the conference held in the city of Pittsburgh. The committee is to have two scales arranged at the same time in order to make a comparison of the scale of the steel workers with the scale of the iron workers. The committee will make arrangements for a conference with the iron workers and manufacturers will make arrangements for a conference with the steel workers. An agreement is not considered probable, however, as both sides are determined to stand by their respective scales. The workers want 10 per cent advance and the makers offer 5 per cent advance with the exception of a few modifications. If the matter is not settled in a few days there will be a general strike.

The Chicago Bricklayers.

CHICAGO, Ill., June 22.—A local paper this morning says: "The labor leaders outside of the bricklayers' union was with the way the latter have managed the strike, but do not seem inclined to help them out. A labor organizer said: 'The other trades unions should be more sympathetic toward the bricklayers than they are now. On no account should they be allowed to go on strike. The bricklayers' union is a good thing, but they are a rough, selfish, despotic lot, but just the right kind of a strike. They are in their present case, but they will not kill the whole of the bricklayers' union. The coming national convention to be held in Chicago will take a decided stand upon this question. One of the promoters of the convention said that the Chicago bricklayers would be found to be a very bad union and reorganizing under the international bricklayers' union. The bricklayers' union is a good thing, but they are a rough, selfish, despotic lot, but just the right kind of a strike. They are in their present case, but they will not kill the whole of the bricklayers' union. The coming national convention to be held in Chicago will take a decided stand upon this question. One of the promoters of the convention said that the Chicago bricklayers would be found to be a very bad union

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the repose of the 1,300,000 Irish who have died of starvation during Queen Victoria's reign. The altar was draped in mourning and a statue of the Virgin Mary stood in the middle aisle.

